

# BIG doings

## AT IMAX

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**T**wo movies will premiere on the massive, six-story screen at the IMAX Theater this weekend. One will take you deep below the sea, while the other will have you swinging from tree to tree in the African jungles.

"Ocean Wonderland" replaces "Into the Deep," the first film ever to come to the IMAX in Chattanooga. In this second 3-D ocean film, life in the

darkest parts of the ocean is unmasked, revealing a feeding frenzy among sharks, playful dolphins riding the waves and soaring eagle rays, among other creatures of the sea.

"As always, we want to offer folks something new to see, and this was an opportunity to bring in a new 3-D film, a format that has proven popular with our visitors," said Katrina Craven, IMAX spokeswoman.

The second film is titled "Jane Goodall's Wild Chimpanzees" and chronicles the work of the famed field researcher as she continues a mission of saving the world's chimpanzees.

While the second film is not 3-D, its charm and stunning photography will have viewers in awe of the Gombe Forest deep inside Tanzania.

"The movie takes you on a journey from when Jane Goodall began in the 1960s to where she is now — a pre-

### 'Jane Goodall's Wild Chimpanzees' premiere Saturday

mier expert of chimpanzee behavior and social structure," Craven said.

The film includes some old footage from Goodall's work with National Geographic and will show some of the same chimps from younger years that are in the new film.

"Some of the chimps are ones that were in the original film footage," Craven said. "Now they are grown with children of their own. You'll even see one of the babies who is now grown up and has assumed the role of a dominant male. And his son is poised to take the dominant role as well."

With the opening of "Wild Chimpanzees," IMAX and the Chattanooga Zoo have formed a partnership that allows people to see chimpanzees up close.

"People can come and tour the Gombe Forest exhibit at the zoo and hear more about the chimps and interact with them," zoo spokeswoman Ann Ball said.

Every day at 12:30 and 3:30 p.m., the chimp keepers will do feedings and allow some people to throw food through the netting for the chimps. Each afternoon at 2:30, a keeper will host a question-and-answer session allowing children and adults to learn more about chimps in general, as well as the six chimps in residence at the zoo.

"Even when you think you know all about the animal world, there's always something left to learn," Craven said.

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#### If you go

■ **What:** "Wild Chimpanzees" and "Ocean Wonderland."

■ **When:** Debuting at 11 a.m. Saturday and alternating every hour on the hour along with "Space Station."

■ **Where:** IMAX Theater, 201 Chestnut St.

■ **Admission:** \$7.75 adults, \$5.25 childre 3-12.

■ **Phone:** 262-0695.

■ **Web site:** [www.tennesseeaquarium.org](http://www.tennesseeaquarium.org).